

**Ferry Conservation District Board Meeting
USDA Conference Room
May 23, 2012**

Supervisors Present

Lee Hall, Chair
Marc Keith, Vice Chair
Dave Konz, Supervisor
Charlotte Coombes
Patty McKern Auditor

Others Present

Lloyd Odell, Staff
Gretchen Plate, Staff
Patrice Beckwith, USDA-NRCS

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lee Hall called the meeting to order at 5.34 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

CONSENT AGENDA Charlotte Coombes moved to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of the April 25, 2012 Board Meeting minutes and. the Treasurer's/Accounts Payable report. Patty McKern seconded. Motion carried

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS/AGREEMENTS

- Approval of Consent Agenda
- Approval of 2013-2015 Biennium Budget
- Approval of 2013 Annual Work Plan
- Approval of 2011 Annual Report
- Meeting adjourned at 7:00p.m.

GUEST REPORTS:

Patrice Beckwith, USDA-NRCS: Patrice announced that she has been appointed acting Conservationist for the NE Area for 120 days to cover Dave Kreft's position, as he accepted a different assignment with USDA-NRCS. The USDA-NRCS will be advertising for applicants on a national level. Patrice said that EQIP Funding was \$420,000 for the NE area and Ferry County had 1 approved project, 2 in Pend Oreille and 7 in Stevens County.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Lloyd Odell: Lloyd did not prepare on as he needed to present the Board with the proposed budget requests and 2013 Annual Work Plan.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trust for Public Lands, Patty McKern: Patty said she had several calls into the Trust for Public Lands and has not received any response to date. She said she would continue to attempt to reach them and have more information to present at the June meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Conservation District 13-15 Budget: In priority #1 it was agreed to have the focus of funds on keeping FCD's doors open. In priority #2 the supervisors agreed the 3 areas funding should be concentrated in are Water Quality Degradation, excessive sediment in surface water (#10), Degraded Plant Condition, wildfire hazard and excessive biomass accumulation (#50), Insufficient Water, inefficient use of irrigation water (25); Lloyd presented the proposed budget to the Board. A brief discussion followed. Charlotte Coombes moved to approve the proposed budget request. Marc Keith seconded. Motion carried.

It was decided that the district would subscribe to the weekly View newspaper and no action was need by the board, as it came under the authorization of the District Treasurer approved by the board on June 30, 2010.

New signature forms had been requested by WSCC for 2012-13. The forms were handed to the Board members and were signed.

Annual Report: Copies of the report were presented to the board. There was a brief explanation of the note of discrepancies filed with the report. Mark Keith moved to approve the 2011 Annual Report. Charlotte Coombes seconded. Motion carried.

2013Annual Plan: Lloyd Odell presented to the Board the 2013 Annual Work Plan. He went over various aspects of the Plan and funding. He also presented a proposed 2013 budget explaining various funding expectations and expenses. Discussion ensued. Marc Keith moved to approve the 2013 Annual Work Plan. Charlotte Coombes seconded. Motion carried.

Other Topics: The board reviewed the 89.08 220 (Corporate status and Powers of District) as per Schedule 22 and review of 89.08 210(Powers and Duties of Supervisors) will be reviewed at the June District meeting.

Marc Keith moved to adjourn.

Lee Hall adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted this 27th day of June, 2012.

APPROVED

Gretchen Plate, FCD Staff

Board Supervisor